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For: ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCE)
CONFERRING SALT TOLERANCE IN)
RICE PLANT)

PRELIMINARY

AMENDMENT

Box PCT
Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 8, delete the paragraph beginning on line 15, which reads:

[The prior art for our experiments includes interalia the work done by scientists in
relation to rice and proteinase inhibitors discovered from rice under biotic conditions.]